Junk Mail

What Counts As Junk Mail?

Junk mail is any unwanted or unsolicited advertising or promotional material you get in your mailbox.

Why Is Junk Mail Making A Comeback?

It's a sign of the times. Most people do not trust the junk mail they get in their e-mail inboxes but will take time to look through letters and advertisements they get in their mailbox.

How Did I Get On All These Mailing Lists?

Anytime you make a purchase or pay for a service that requires you to provide your name and address, your information may end up on a mailing list. Mailing lists are often sold to other businesses, which may result in you getting mail from a company you have never contacted or made a purchase from.

How Do I Get Off These Mailing Lists?

 To remove yourself or those under your care, you can be placed on a "Do Not Mail" list that is maintained by the Direct Marketing Association (DMA).
Placing your name on the Do Not Mail list is effective for 10 years. There is a \$2 processing fee. You can register online at: <u>https://dmachoice.thedma.org/register.php</u>, or you can mail in your registration. To mail in your registration, the processing fee costs a dollar more. You can click <u>here</u> for a copy of the form or send your name and address with a signature and a check or money order for the \$3 processing fee to:

DMAChoice

DMA

PO Box 900

Cos Cob, CT 06807

- To remove someone under your care, you can register with the DMA's "Do Not Contact List For Caregivers" at <u>https://www.ims-dm.com/cgi/dncc.php</u>. There is no charge to register for this list.
- 3. **To remove a deceased relative,** you can register with the DMA's "Deceased Do Not Contact List" at <u>https://www.ims-dm.com/cgi/ddnc.php</u>. There is no charge to register for this list.
- 4. **To stop receiving pre-approved credit card solicitations,** call 1-888-50PT-OUT (1-888-567-8688) or visit <u>https://www.optoutprescreen.com/</u>.

How Do I Get Removed For Nationwide Sweepstakes Mail Lists?

To have your name removed from major nationwide sweepstakes mailers, contact the following:

 Publishers Clearinghouse: call (800) 645-9242, e-mail privacychoices@pchmail.com, or send mail to:

Christopher L. Irving, Sr. Director

Consumer & Privacy Affairs

Publishers Clearinghouse

382 Channel Drive

Port Washington, NY 11050

2. **Readers Digest Sweepstakes:** call (800) 310-6261. For the hearingimpaired, call (800) 735-4327. Send mail to: PO Box 50005

Prescott, AZ 86301-5005

How Do I Reduce Mail From Stockbrokers And Mutual Fund Companies?

Reduce mail from stockbrokers and mutual fund companies by sending written requests to be removed from lists to the following:

Dun and Bradstreet	R. L. Polk & Co./Name Deletion File
Customer Service	List Compilation Development
899 Eaton Avenue	26955 Northwestern Highway
Bethlehem, Pennsylvania 18025	Southfield, Michigan 48034-4716

Database America	Acxiom U. S.
Compilation Department	Consumer Advocate Hotline
470 Chestnut Ridge Road	Phone: 877-774-2094
Woodcliff, New Jersey 07677	www.acxiom.com/us

How Do I Stop Receiving Sexually Oriented Advertisements?

To stop receiving sexually oriented advertisements, click <u>here</u> to download a form from USPS. Follow the instructions on the form and deliver to a post office

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